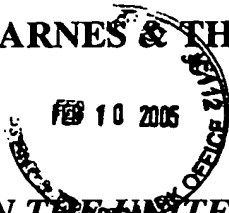


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 7, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks. Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal on July 7, 2004, and the due date for filing the appeal brief was September 7, 2004. Applicant subsequently filed a response to the Final Office Action on October 21, 2004, and included a petition for a 2-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), extending the due date for response to November 7, 2004, and including the fee of \$430.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). Subsequently, the Examiner issued an Advisory Action, dated November 22, 2004 and received November 24, 2004. Accordingly, Applicant hereby petitions for a 3-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), extending the due date

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